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In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Spaans (Netherlands), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 4.15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 120: FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS ANGOLA VERIFICATION MISSION (continued) (A/46/934/Add.1 and A/46/945; A/C.5/46/L.26)

1. The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to draft resolution A/C.5/46/L.26, which had been drafted the day before in informal consultations and which corresponded to the traditional structure of resolutions relating to the financing of peace-keeping operations. He noted, however, that paragraph 7 had been introduced into the text in order to reflect the comments of the Advisory Committee. Further, in the informal consultations the question had arisen of the appropriateness of including Georgia, whose admission was to be considered on 31 July 1992, among the countries listed in paragraph 6 of the draft resolution. Since Member States alone could appear in the text of a draft resolution, it was not possible for the time being to include Georgia in the list. Nevertheless a request could be made for the name of that State to be added to paragraph 6 once the General Assembly had taken a decision on its admission. After having invited the members of the Committee to comment on the draft resolution, he said that he would take it, if he heard no objection, that the Committee wished to adopt draft resolution A/C.5/46/L.26 without a vote.

2. It was so decided.

AGENDA ITEM 116: UNITED NATIONS COMMON SYSTEM (continued) (A/C.5/46/85 and A/C.5/46/L.27)

3. The CHAIRMAN, introducing draft resolution A/C.5/46/L.27 on the United Nations common system, the text of which had been agreed the day before in informal consultations, suggested, at the request of various delegations, the amendment of paragraph 5, line 6, to read "could prejudice" rather than "prejudices". If there was no objection, he would take it that the Committee wished to adopt the draft resolution, as orally amended, without a vote.

4. It was so decided.

5. Mr. REY (Colombia), speaking in explanation of position, said that his delegation had joined the consensus on the draft resolution since it had always attached great importance to the agreements concluded between the various organizations of the common system. He noted, however, that the International Telecommunication Union had been reminded of the requirements of the common system the year before for the same reason, and wondered what explanation there might be for its persistent departures from the common system, which might indicate an underlying malaise. There would appear to be a need to review the common system so as to better adapt it to the varied

(Mr. Rey, Colombia)

situations facing international organizations. His delegation was willing to cooperate with the competent organs in a review of the common system, taking into account new realities.

6. Mrs. SHEAROUSE (United States of America), speaking on behalf of Argentina, Australia, Austria, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Germany, Italy, Japan, the Philippines, the Russian Federation and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in addition to her own delegation, welcomed the adoption of the draft resolution without a vote. It was important to remind the organizations concerned that, if they wished to benefit from the many advantages of participation in the common system, they were bound to respect its norms. She particularly appreciated the diligence, sense of responsibility and spirit of consensus evidenced by the Committee in indicating to the Organizations that their decisions must not contravene the rules of the common system and that the General Assembly was willing to take the measures needed to ensure compliance with it.

The meeting rose at 4.35 p.m.